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REMARKS

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1. Prior to 10 June 1952, VPD 1321 in Prora on Ruegen Island numbered about 1,000 police and was to be increased further. Its armament consisted of 15 T-38 tanks, 3 or 4 x 76.2-mm SP guns, 8 x 76.2-mm AT guns, 10 x 45-mm AT guns, 8 or 10 heavy mortars and 2 x 20-mm AA guns. About 30 Henschel-Diesel trucks were available. * Officers [redacted] include VP Inspektour Pils (fnu) as chief of the VPD, VP Kommandeur Klinko (fnu) as PK officer, VP Kommandeur Bruckner (fnu) as chief of staff, VP Oberrat Hoppe (fnu) as PK liaison officer, VP Oberrat Janka (fnu) as chief of the 3d Kommando and VP Rat Hermann (fnu) as chief of the 7th instruction battalion. **

2. Soviet tank units and artillery units were quartered in the north camp in Prora in April 1952. ***

* [redacted] Comment. Trains carrying tanks and Volkspolizei cadre units have been observed only since mid-June 1952. No definite information was received on the arrival of model SU-76 guns. The guns mentioned came from Soviet arms deliveries observed in May. The personnel strength of about 3,000 soldiers is higher than the average strength estimated on the basis of other reports.

** [redacted] Comment. VP Inspektour Pils (fnu) and VP Kommandeur Klinko are again confirmed as chief and PK leader respectively of the VPD in Prora.

*** [redacted] Comment. Trains carrying Soviet units to Ruegen Island have been observed only since early May 1952.

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